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To: Michelle DePass/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
CC: Lakita Stewart/DC/USEPA/US@EPA;Dennis McLerran/R10/USEPA/US@EPA; ennis McLerran/R10/USEPA/US@EPA
Subject: Meeting Request Regarding Proposed Pebble Mine near Bristol Bay, AK
Attachments: TUMeetingRequestEPA09032010.pdf

Hi Michelle,

My name is Wayne Natri and I was the former USEPA Regional Administrator for Region 9. I am working with a broad-based coalition that is seeking a pre-emptive CWA 404(c) action with regard to the proposed Pebble Mine near Bristol Bay, AK. Some members of the coalition have met with you, as well as with Administrator Jackson during her earlier trip to Alaska, and many have met with Dennis McLerran and discussed their desire for the 404(c) action. Several members of the coalition will be in Washington DC September 21-23 and would like to meet with you and talk about their views on this requested action. I have explained to them the challenges they face (with regard to a pre-emptive action) and that you would not be able to make any promises and that you need to be concerned with the appearance of any pre-decisional action. The meeting should be a friendly and cordial opportunity for them to meet you and share their views and to perhaps hear your thoughts on potential concerns of the Agency. I'm hoping that you will be in town during their visit and able to spend some time with them (I would think 30-45 minutes). We will obviously accommodate your schedule so please let me know if you can find the time in your schedule and if so, what works best for you. Specific members of the coalition that would participate in the meeting are:

- * Tom Tilden, Curyung Tribal Council Chief
- * The Honorable Bryce Edgmond, Alaska State Representative from the Bristol Bay Region
- * The Honorable Rick Halford, Former President of Alaska Senate
- * Lindsey Bloom, Board Member of Alaska Independent Fishermen's Marketing Association and United Fishermen of Alaska
- * Bob Waldrop, Executive Director of Bristol Bay Regional Seafood Development Association
- * Shoren Brown, Director of Federal Salmon Policy, Trout Unlimited

There is also a strong likelihood that someone from the Bristol Bay Native Corporation will also be attending (either a Board Member, the Executive Director or Chair). Howard Berman, Sr. Vice President, Dutko Worldwide, and/or myself will also be attending.

The coalition will also be meeting with Congressional members during their visit as well as with other branches of government (requests have also been made with CEQ, USACE, NOAA and NMFS). I've attached some information that may be useful in advance of the meeting. I am happy to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to reach me at 949.463.2227 if you have any questions. I will contact your office and hopefully confirm when you might be available. I appreciate your efforts and look forward to meeting you. Respectfully,

Wayne

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